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One afternoon, when seven-year-old Alice tried to read over her sister's shoulder, she noticed a talking white rabbit in a waistcoat, with a pocket watch, run past! The rabbit went into a large hole. Surprised, Alice followed. As soon as she entered, she fell deep down a well, finally landing on a heap of dry leaves.



Alice stood up and looked around, and saw the rabbit disappearing round the corner. She was now alone in a long hall with locked doors on all sides. She opened a door with a key and saw a small passage with a hole at the end. She could see a beautiful garden through the hole, but she was too big to enter.



In the hall, she found a little bottle on a table saying 'DRINK ME'. As soon as she drank the liquid, she became ten inches tall! Alice was delighted as she was small enough to enter the lovely garden. But, when she went near the door, she realised, she had left the key on the table. Alas! Poor Alice was now too small to reach the table-top!



Alice then saw a tiny box lying under the table with a cake inside. It had 'EAT ME' written on it. Alice ate the cake. The next moment, Alice's head touched the roof! Scared, Alice began to cry.

Suddenly, she heard somebody coming. Alice wiped off her tears quickly, and saw the white rabbit again. He was wearing a white glove in one hand, and carried a large fan in the other. Alice wanted to ask him for help. But when she spoke, he got startled, dropped everything and disappeared into the darkness.



Alice picked up the fan and glove. When she fanned herself, she found she was shrinking again.

Alice reached a forest as she followed the rabbit. There she saw a blue caterpillar sitting on a mushroom, smoking! He told Alice that different parts of the mushroom would make her grow or shrink. Alice broke off two parts from two sides and tasted them. One made her really tiny; the other made her neck stretch above the trees!



With some effort, Alice came back to her normal height. As she moved on, she stumbled upon a small estate. Entering, she saw a hare, a hatter and a grinning cat having a party.



Alice then re-entered the forest along with the cat. The cat then explained to Alice that everyone in Wonderland was

mad and disappeared.



As she walked further, she came to a garden! A procession of playing cards, the King, the Queen and the White Rabbit entered the garden.

The Queen was very difficult to please. She wanted everyone executed at the slightest dissatisfaction.



The Queen wanted Alice to play croquet with her and her subjects, but the game became extremely chaotic. She then introduced Alice to the Gryphon, who had a head and wings of an eagle but the body of a lion, who then took her to the Mock Turtle.

The Mock Turtle was very sad. He told Alice how he used to be a real turtle, while Alice shared her strange experiences with him.



Suddenly they heard an announcement that the Jack of Hearts had been accused of stealing the Queen's tarts, and a trial was about to begin!

The Gryphon took Alice to the court, where she noticed that the jury comprised of various animals. The White Rabbit was the court's trumpeter, and the judge was the Queen of Hearts.



Alice was now called up as a witness, but she suddenly found herself growing larger. The Queen of Hearts then asked her to leave by citing Rule 42, which said, "All persons more than a mile high should leave the court."

Alice refused and argued, which made the Queen feel that Alice was the thief! She pardoned the jack, and pointing at Alice; she shouted, "Off with her head!" Alice was unafraid as the card guards surrounded her.



Suddenly, Alice's sister brushed off some leaves from Alice's face, startling her. She realised she had fallen asleep, and her visit to Wonderland was only a dream!

